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Notes on The
ALLENTHARP and THARP
FAMILIES



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Preface

Much of the information in these pages has been furnished me by different members of the family. Doubtless there are corrections that have to be made in dates and in the order that the children are named but I have given them as they were given me. Any corrections that you see or any information that you may be able to add will be a help for future references.

THE AUTHOR.

Notes on The Allentharp, Tharp Families

The Tharp Family is a very large one and has many branches. In Old English "thorp" meant a hill. When the word came in use as a name it usually had a prefix as Althorp, Oglethorp, or Allentharp. The name was sometimes spelled Thorp and sometimes Tharp. Old records were not careful with the spelling of the name. Little attention was paid as to whether an "o" or an "a" was used.

In early records of America there are many Thorps and Tharps. Whether these families were connected or not would be a problem that could hardly be solved at this late day. To complicate matters a number of the families that had a prefix to their name have now dropped the prefix so that they are Tharps and Thorps.

The Tharp Family that I am tracing were originally Allentharps. How a Welsh word "Allen" or "Alin" came to be a prefix for the English word thorp would be interesting to know.

In the "Census of 1790" there are no Allentharps listed. Some early records of Virginia give some facts about Allentharps although the name was spelled incorrectly according to the family spelling.

From "Overwharton Parish Register of Aquia Church Stafford Co. Va." (1720-1760) I found the following:

Allenthrop, Jacob, son of John and Annie, bapt. Dec. 24, 1742.

Allenthrop, Benjamin, married Elizabeth Fletcher, Aug. 19, 1746.

Allenthrop, Sarah, married William Price, Aug. 5, 1748.

Allenthrop, Margaret, married John Read March 5, 1754.

In the book "Virginia Willis and Administrations" John Allenthorpe left a will in Stafford County in 1747. I have obtained a copy of this will and it will be listed near the end of these notes.

In this will John Allenthorpe mentions one son John as being a minor. His wife's name was Ann. Since both books are records of Stafford County it is reasonable to suppose that John and Ann Allenthorpe also had a child, Jacob, not mentioned in the will but listed in the Church Record above.

Studying the will further will bring other points to light. The will is signed John A. Allenthorpe. I would like to know his middle name. He could read and write and had some possessions by the time of his death. All the items listed were personal. Yet the committee speaks of meeting at "the house of John Allentharp."

The will is witnessed by Benjamin Allenthorpe. It was signed in his own hand so he could read and write. Also he had to be of age or he could not have witnessed the will. The relationship between John and Benjamin is not stated. John was not a young man for few young men think of making a will. He speaks of being "very sick and weak in body" but being "perfectly well in memory". Those sound more like the words of an older man than a young one. John made the will Jan. 12, 1746, but Ann did not appear in court until Nov. 10, 1747. That was a lapse of nearly two years. John had died sometime between Jan. 1746 and Nov. 1747. It must have been during 1747 for Ann would have gone to court in 1746 if he had died during that year. John A. Allentharp had a long illness before his death so that again leads me to think he was an older man.

Margaret and Sarah Allentharp mentioned in the Church Record were members of the family but just what relationship they were to John and Benjamin is supposition.

Benjamin Allenthorpe married the year John Allenthorpe wrote his will. I am inclined to believe that Benjamin, Margaret, and Sarah were children of John and Ann Allenthorpe.

If that is correct the line would look like this:

John A. Allenthorpe and Ann Allenthorpe

1 1 1 1 1
Benjamin Sarah Margaret John Jacob

This gives John A. and Ann at least five children and there were probably more. John Junior was the only one mentioned in the will, probably because he was his father's namesake.

In "Colonial Soldiers of Virginia" John Alinthorp is listed as a soldier. (Va. mag. 2 p. 41). At another place among the roll of Lt. Col. Stephens' Co. John Alinthorp is listed July 15, 1756. John must have become of age and made use of his father's gun.

So far these are the only Allentharps that I can find in Virginia in any old records. There are many Tharps but if they were of this family they had dropped the Allen. Rev. War Records of Va. p. 432 Tharp. John (Staford) S. War 1835 1831.

The "North Carolina Colonial Records" Vol. 9, p. 90 states that John Allentharp petitions for a new county.

From "Roster of Soldiers from N. C. in the American Revolution" page 271 John Allenthorpe's heirs in N. C. got 640 acres of land for he served in Col. Lytle's Co. 84 months. It is dated 1783.

There was a John A. Tharpe in Georgia at the time of the Revolution. In Georgia's "Roster of the Revolution" page 393, John A. Tharpe was in a certified list of Georgia troops. In the same book page 370 John A. Tharpe drew land in a lottery in 1820 in Twiggs County. This same man joined Stone Creek Baptist Church under the name of John A Tharp, Sr., in Feb. 1817. (There will be more of him later.)

"Some Tax Digests of Georgia" give these facts:

Wilkes Co. 1793

page 249	Presley Tharp	40 acres
page 280	Charnick Tharp	
page 281	V. T. Allen Tharp.....	460 acres

Warren Co. 1794

page 181	Vincent Tharp	160 acres
	Presley Tharp	40 acres
	Charnick Tharp	Poll Tax

Warren Co. 1805

page 211	Vincent A. Tharp	
	John Tharp (defaulter).....	560 acres

"Georgia's Roster of the Revolution" page 259 Joseph Tharp owned land. From "Georgia Land and People" by Smith, Vincent Allentharp settled in Washington Co. in 1784.

Thus the records show that the first Tharps in Georgia came to Washington, Wilkes and Warren Counties. Wilkes County was a very old county. Washington was formed later and Warren the last of these three. There are possibly other Tharps who came to Georgia but since this group stayed together I am sure they were related. From these counties they began to move but again they stayed together. The counties they went to mainly from there were Twiggs, Houston, Pulaski and Dooly.

By the time they got to Georgia all had dropped the Allen from the name except Vincent and he dropped it in 1793 for I can not find it after that date.

This is a list of the Tharps in Georgia as I first find them:

I.	JOSEPH THARP	1784
II.	PRESLEY THARP	1793
III.	CHARLES THARP	1784
IV.	CHARNICK THARP	1793
V.	JOHN A. THARP	1784
VI.	VINCENT T. ALLENTHARP	1784

VINCENT T. ALLENTHARP seemed to have the most property and carried the full name longer than the others. My grandmother used to say "The Tharps were as proud as the Devil could make them" so perhaps

Vincent was one of the proud ones.

Some of the Tharps that came to Georgia fought on the side of the Crown in the Revolution. My father John Norwood Davis often quoted his father as telling him "Some of the Tharps were Tories. "That might account for the fact today I know Tharp families that are related to us but I can't prove just how it is for I am sure for a house to be divided on such an issue would cause a breach in family ties and one branch would lose trace of another.

One branch of the Allentharp family went to Kentucky from Virginia. They carried the Allen even longer than the Georgia branch did. They all had dropped it by 1805 as I do not find it after that date. Mrs. Ella Lundy Taylor, a member of the Tharp family told me that we had relatives in Kentucky. In the old days some of the Georgia Tharps went to Kentucky to see their relatives. The Allentharps I have found in Kentucky in old records were possibly these relatives though I do not know the exact relationship.

COPIED FROM *KENTUCKY WILLS* by J. E. S. KING:
p. 205 Scott Co.

THARP (Indexed as ALLENTHARP) BENJ. Jan. 5, 1806, Mar. 1806.
Bros. William, George; sisters, Martha and Ann. ex. John Allentharp father wit.

KENTUCKY COURT AND OTHER RECORDS VOL. II McADAMS
p. 104 Bourbon Co. July 1801.

ALLENTHORPE, JACOB, orphan about 12 yrs. apprenticed to Aaron Griffing.

KENTUCKY COURT RECORDS by ARDERY
Bourbon Co. 1865-1840.
p. 16.

ALLENTHARP, WILLIAM Will Book I p. 160
Heirs SAMUEL ALLENTHORP, BETSY McDANIEL, ANNA BEASLEY, POLLY MILLER, LUCY PORTY, sister BETSY ALLENTHORP, 1833.

HISTORY OF KENTUCKY, Collins
in Washington County, Ga., in 1784, receiving a Revolutionary land grant.
page 76.
Capt. Garrard's Troops Oct. 31, 1812, "WILLIAM ALLENTHARP not yet joined the troop."
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The history of the five Tharps who were early settlers in Georgia is far from complete. Below are the facts that I have gathered.

I. JOSEPH THARP (Washington County 1784) some Tax Digests of Ga. p. 257 no trace.

II. PRESLEY THARP (Wilkes County 1793) Warren Co. 1794). In the records of Pulaski Co. Ga. Prestly Tharp paid tax in 1814 and in 1821. He had at least one son, for in the Pulaski County records in 1820 Prestly Tharp, Jr., paid tax.

In "Early Kentucky Marriages" 1785-1851, Vol. I, page 56, Henry Co. this is listed. "Tharp, Presly to Armilda Sidebottom, 10-27-1836, bondsmen, Sidebottom, Isaac.

Whether the "Prestly Jr." mentioned in Pulaski Co. Ga. went to Kentucky or if that is another one in Kentucky I do not know.

III. CHARLES THARP, in "Ga. Roster of the Rev." p. 430 he is listed as a soldier. (This does not mean that he fought with Georgia troops, he could have come there after the war.

IV. Charnick Tharp. This is an unusual name and I have never heard it used except in the Tharp Family. There it has been used so

many times it is difficult to separate the different Charnicks. Charnick Tharp paid tax in Wilkes County Georgia in 1793 and Warren County Georgia in 1794. By 1805 he seems to have left these counties, for he paid no taxes there and Vincent A. Tharp is still there. Of course they sometimes owned property in a county and did not live there, but that was when a man began to prosper when he could own land in several counties.

In the records of Pulaski County Ga. Charnick Tharp's name occurs in 1809, 1811 and Charnick A. Tharp in 1816. Vincent T. A. Tharp moved to Twiggs County and became the pastor of Stone Creek Baptist Church. He had a son named Charnick who was evidently named for the other Charnick, possibly Vincent's brother. The Church Record wanted to distinguish between the two Charnicks so they wrote Charnick A. Tharp Seign. by the name of the older man when he joined the Church in March 1817. His wife, Hannah, joined at the same time. They seem to be of a roving spirit, for they did not stay there long either. They took their letters from the Church in the same year, Nov. 1817. At the same time Lucy A. Tharp obtained her letter. She was probably their daughter.

Between 1817 and 1827 I have no record of Charnick A. Tharp. In land lottery of 1827 I find Charnick Tharp living in Dooly County drew land in Carroll County. William A. Tharp and Rearaden A. Tharp also living in Dooly County drew land in Muscogee County. William and Rarden (family spelling) *may* have been his sons.

I have nothing else on that Charnick A. Tharp, as by this time he would be an old man.

In the next generation there was another Charnick Tharp. In 1850 he was living in Houston County Georgia. At that time he was 35 years old which would place his birth around 1814 or 1815. The census gives his wife as Jane, aged 25, born in S. C. They had four children, Ann aged 11, John aged 4, Henry aged 2, William aged 1. Whether he was the son of Charnick A. Tharp Sr. I do not know, but for a long time he, too, lived in Dooly County. His wife is buried there. If he was the son of Charnick and the brother of William and Rarden A. Tharp he was only 15 at the time of the land lottery in 1827, so he would not have been old enough to draw any land. I have been able to obtain some of his descendants from a granddaughter (Mrs. Minnie Walters Tuten), so I will give what I have on this branch. Mrs. Tuten is related to our branch, but we are not sure of just the connecting link, but she knows many of my relatives personally and calls them "Cousin." The problem is, was her grandfather Charnick the son of Charnick Sr. and if so was Charnick Sr. a brother to Vincent T. A. Tharp?

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CHARNICK THARP, born around 1815, married

JANE LEGGETT, born around 1825 in South Carolina. They had about 16 children but only about eight or nine of them lived.

1. Anna Augusta Tharp, born April 4, 1844, died at Oglethorpe, Ga., Mar. 13, 1882.

Charles M. William Walters, born Dec. 26, 1844, and died in Atlanta Dec. 11, 1909, but is buried at Oglethorpe, Ga.

They were married in Dooly County March 26, 1868.

- 1'. Lida Obara Walters (died young).

- 2'. Charles Heath Walters (died young).

- 3'. Minnie Walters, born Jan. 31, 1870, married Dec. 10, 1891, Dr. James Green Tuten, born in S. C., Feb. 15, 1870.

They lived at Gesup, Ga. Dr. Tuten died there April 14, 1919.

- 1'. Louise Tuten b. Oct. 21, 1894.

Baker

- 2'. James Green Tuten, born Dec. 20, 1897.

Mae Park, born Jan. 24, 1897, died Janu. 28, 1935.

They were married Feb. 28, 1922.

1. James Green Tuten, born Oct. 22, 1924.

2. Betty Tuten, born June 12, 1927.

Frances Anita Davis b. Dec. 15, 1900, married in Macon, Ga., Aug. 7, 1938.

4'. Albert Freeman Walters (didn't marry), born Sept. 3, 1871, died in Atlanta Ga., April 24, 1892. Buried at Oglethorpe, Ga.

2. John Gorham Tharp, m.

Betty Burns from Camilla, Ga.

1'. Janie Tharp (didn't marry).

2'. Alice Tharp, married

Tom Jones. They live in Thomasville, Ga.

3'. Johnnie Tharp, married

Rudolph Keaton. They live in Thomasville, Ga.

3. Henry Tharp (moved to Texas).

4. William Tharp. He is buried in Dooly Co.

Willey Adams, from Montezuma, Ga.

1'. Janie Betty Tharp.

2'. Cleveland Tharp. Died in Birmingham, Ala.

5. Warren Tharp (never married—lived in Texas).

6. Bright Tharp. Lived in Texas.

7. Charles Tharp. Lived in Texas, died in Tampa, Fla.

8. Fannie Tharp. b..... Died Jan., 1942

Thomas J. Bottoms. They lived in Thomasville, Ga.

1'. Louise Bottoms (never married).

2'. Gladys Bottoms

King Moore. They live at Asheboro, N. C.

1. William Moore.

Charnick Tharp had some brothers and sisters. Mrs. Tuten only knew the names of Viney Tharp, who married a Gilbert, and Ruthie Tharp, who married a Busy. Mrs. Tuten said he had a negro slave named "Hannah." She may have been named for Hannah A. Tharp, wife of Charnick A. Tharp, Sr., who, I think, was his mother.

Of the William A. Tharp living in Dooly County who drew land in Muscogee County in 1827 I know nothing.

Rearaden Tharp in Dooly County in 1827 I do know a little about. In May 1823 he was in Twiggs County Ga., for he joined Stone Creek Baptist Church. Lucy A. Tharp had joined in 1822 but she and Raraden A. Tharp obtained letters of dismission Feb. 21, 1824. Usually a man and his wife joined the Church and left at the same time. Lucy and Raraden left together but they did not join together. I believe Lucy was Raraden's sister, for when Charnick A. Tharp Sr. and his wife left Twiggs Co. in 1817 they took Lucy A. Tharp with them. I believe Charnick to be Raraden's father and now Lucy has come back to Twiggs County and is leaving with her brother. Lucy had come to Twiggs County from Ala., so her Church Letter stated in 1822.

The next information I have on Raraden A. Tharp comes from a descendant in Ala.

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I. RARDEN A. THARP, b. 1798, d. 1883. He had about 13 children. The names of his wife and some of his children are not known. These are as he gave me.

1. Rarden A. Tharp, b. Sept. 19, 1843, d. Jan. 7, 1922. He married Susannah Haskew.

1'. William A. Tharp (Baptist Minister).

2'. Rebecca Tharp.

m. D. Monroe McKinley.

3'. Rosa Tharp

James Phillips.

- 4'. Jesse A. Tharp.
 - 5'. John R. Tharp.
 - 6'. Nancy Tharp
m. Charles B. Pruett.
 - 7'. Eliza Tharp.
 - 8'. Samuel M. Tharp, born Clark Co. Ala. May 20, 1883,
Lillian Northcutt. They were married Aug. 20, 1914.
a. Samuel M. Tharp.
b. Margaret Tharp.
c. Emily Ann Tharp.
d. Lillian Tharp.
 - 9'. Elijah (died young).
 - 10'. Leila Tharp
m. George W. Gates.
 2. William Tharp.
 3. Charnic Tharp.
 4. John Tharp (killed in Civil War).
 6. Rebecca Tharp.
 5. Sarah Tharp.
 7. Nancy Tharp.
 8. Elizabeth Tharp.
- There was another son killed in the Civil War.

V. JOHN A. THARP was listed as a Revolutionary Sol. in Georgia, 1784, page 393. In the same book "Georgia's Roster of the Revolution, page 370, he is listed as drawing land in a lottery in Twiggs County in 1820. On page 168 he is listed as a soldier and the date is 1784. I do not believe he was in Ga. at the time of the Revolution but came here afterwards to get land, as did Vincent T. A. Tharp. Vincent came the same time. John A. Tharp is listed as a tax defaulter in Warren Co. in 1805. In Feb. 1817 John A. Tharp joined Stone Creek Baptist Church. In order to distinguish between John A. Tharp, son of Vincent A. Tharp, the name was written John A. Tharp Sr. On April 24, 1824, John A. Tharp and his wife were granted letters of dismission from the Church. I have no record of her name. I have no further record of him.

VI. VINCENT T. ALLENTHARPE (I have a very good record of him that I will give under separate sheets).

There are some names of Tharps at a later date than the first ones that I mentioned that I would like to place. These are the names and where I got them.

1. Randolph Tharp, sol., living in Warren Co. Ga. in the "Land Lottery of 1827.

2. Ruth Tharp, wid. R. S. Tharp, living in Twiggs Co. in the "Land Lottery of 1827. According to the census of 1830 she was still in Twiggs Co.

3. William A. Tharp. The Pulaski County Court Records state that Mary Tharp was administrator on the estate of William Tharp, 1818. A Deed Book in the same county gives in 1817 some property changed hands for William A. Tharp by admr.

4. Randle Tharp. Census 1820 in Warren Co. Ga. states that he was under 26 years of age.

Randall Tharp. Census of 1850 in Houston Co. Ga. gives his age as 54 and place of birth as Va. Since that would make his birth about 1794 he is the same "Randle Tharp" of Warren Co. in 1820

Members of his family in 1850:

Sarah Tharp, 24 years old.

Lydia Tharp, 23 years old.

Nancy Tharp, 17 years old.

Solomon Tharp, 15 years old.

Jane Tharp, 3 years old.

5. George Tharp. Census of Pulaski Co. in 1820. He is the head of a family and between 26-45 years old. As Presley Tharp Sr. is there at the same time and listed over 45 years old, I think George is his son.

6. Randolph Tharp. Lottery of 1827 gives him as a soldier from Warren Co. drawing land in Muscogee.

VINCENT T. ALLENTHARPE and HIS DESCENDANTS:

Of the names in the records of Aquia Church, Benjamin Allenthrop married Elizabeth Fletcher Aug. 19, 1746. They must have had a number of children, but one son Vincent, born Nov. 18, 1760, is the only one that I am sure is theirs. Vincent named one of his own sons Fletcher Allentharp. Since both Fletcher as a Christian name and Allentharp as a surname are uncommon. They were even more so in those early days. Vincent also named a daughter Elizabeth, but that is hardly as definite proof, for Elizabeth was a very common name.

In "Georgia Baptist Historical and Biographical" by J. H. Campbell he states "Vincent Tharp, a native of Virginia, was born in 1760 and bore arms in the cause of his country towards the close of the Revolutionary War." The family Bible gives the date as Nov. 18, 1760, also the tombstone on his grave.

Just when Vincent left Virginia is not known. He was in the Carolinas at the time of the Revolution, for he fought with Marion's army there. For his services he was given a land grant in Washington County, Ga., in 1784 (Georgia Land and People by Smith).

Vincent married a Miss Rogers and had two children, John Jr., born September 1, 1781, and a daughter Mary, born Jan. 28, 1783. He came to Georgia in 1784. His first wife died, so Vincent married a second time. He married Sarah Pierson on January 10, 1787, according to the family Bible. She was from South Carolina, but whether she was living in Georgia at the time or if he went to South Carolina it does not state. They had eight children, Elizabeth, b. Sept. 11, 1787; William, b. Oct. 5, 1788; Charnick, b. Feb. 27, 1790; Nancy, b. Jan. 15, 1792; Jeremiah, b. Oct. 1, 1793; Fletcher, b. Nov. 17, 1797; Rebeckah, b. Oct. 3, 1801; Sarah, b. Jan. 25, 1803.

Washington County was divided into smaller counties. In the Tax Digest of Wilkes County in 1793, page 281, Vincent T. Allentharp paid tax on 460 acres of land. In the same book on page 211 Vincent A. Tharp paid tax in Warren County in 1805.

Vincent had now dropped the Allen in his name as had his other relatives in Georgia. From then on he signed his name A. Tharp and all of his children, including the girls, used A. Tharp. About 1850 or 1860 the A. was dropped and the name was Tharp. Another generation added an "e" so now the name is usually spelled Tharpe.

In Virginia the Allentharps had been members of the Episcopal Church but about 1800 Vincent Allentharp joined Briar Creek Baptist Church in Warren County, Georgia, and was later ordained to preach there. He also preached at Sweetwater and Rocky Creek Churches in Burke County.

Vincent A. Tharp moved to Twiggs County, Georgia in 1811. His son, Charnick A. Tharp, wrote a diary for a number of years. (This diary is now in possession of Clarence Tharp of Tallahassee, Fla.). From the diary I copied the following: "I was born as the record of my parents says, on the 27th of February, 1790, in the State of Georgia, Warren County, shortly after the close of the Revolutionary War. My parents, being poor in early life, though not in old age, consequently I rec'd a limited education, though I was a considerable lover of books and read considerably in the middle and latter part of life. I had tender religious impressions from the early part of my life. My Father moved to Twiggs County in 1811, though I came 2 years previous with my oldest brother with some hands (slaves) to make improvements against the rest of the family coming."

When Vincent Tharp came to Twiggs County he became the pastor of Stone Creek Baptist Church. The Church stood near Dry Branch, Georgia. Vincent was Moderator of the Ebenezer Association for a number of years. He remained as to pastor of Stone Creek until his death in 1825. He is buried in the old cemetery on the top of a high, rocky hill

near where the Church once stood. The Church has since been moved to its present location.

Sarah A. Tharp lived a number of years after her husband died. In the Records of Stone Creek Baptist Church in Feb. 1832 is the following notice: "Old Mother Tharp departed this life 1st day of January, 1832."

VINCENT T. A. THARP and his wife MISS ROGERS had two children:

1. JOHN A. THARP was born Sept. 1, 1781. He and his wife ELIZABETH Hatcher A. THARP came to Twiggs County with his father in 1811. They joined Stone Creek Baptist Church in Feb. 1811. In the Church Records he is referred to as John A. Tharp Jr. to distinguish him from John A. Tharp Sr., who came at a later date and may have been his uncle.

At the time that John was a member of Stone Creek Church the Church sat in judgment on its members. If someone disobeyed any rules he was brought before a committee for trial. If he expressed sorrow for his actions and asked forgiveness he was reinstated but if not, he was excommunicated. John got into trouble for fighting and was called to account at a Church Conference. He refused to say that he was penitent so he was excommunicated from the Church.

John A. Tharp and Elizabeth Hatcher A. Tharp had a number of children. He made a will before his death and it is filed in the Bibb County Court House. He named a number of heirs that are his children. Elizabeth A. Tharp also has a will filed in the Bibb County Court House. Then in the Marriage Records of Bibb County I found the dates of marriage of some of their children.

Children of John A. Tharp and Elizabeth Hatcher:

1. MARY A. THARP m. WILLIS BOON
m. Mar. 6, 1827, Court Records of Bibb Co. Lived in Crawford Co.
2. JAMES MADISON A. THARP
3. WILLIAM A. THARP
4. ROBERT A. THARP
5. CAROLINE A. THARP m. NATHANIEL REYNOLDS
m. Dec. 10, 1833, Court Records.
6. ELIZABETH A. THARP m. JOHN RODGERS
m. April 9, 1833, Court Records.
7. CATHERINE A. THARP
8. CICERO A. THARP, from List of Field Officers, Regiments and Battalions in the Confederate States Army, 1861-1865, p. 124. Tharpe, Cicero A., Major, 50th Ga. Inf.
9. OBEDIENCE A. THARP m. JAMES McCORMIC DAVIS
m. April 11, 1843, Court Records.
b. July 6, 1817
d. April 8, 1896
b. April 1823
d. April 1905
They lived in Houston County Georgia. Their ten children are listed as follows:
- 1'. EDGAR DAVIS
b. 1844
d. Killed in a battle at Cynthiana, Ky. Member of Co. K, 11th Ga., then joined Co. C of Morgan's Cavalry under James E. Cantrill.
- 2'. GEORGIA DAVIS m. FRANCIS MARION KING
b. 1846
d. Dec. 14, 1929

EUGENE KING m. JULIA DAMOUR

b. July 11, 1870 b. Jan. 10, 1875

d. Feb. 3, 1928

m. April 5, 1893

1". JAMES EDGAR KING

- b. April 20, 1895
 - 2". FRANCIS MARION KING
 - b. May 19, 1897
 - 3". CHARLES JOSEPH KING
 - b. July 1, 1901
- 3'. OLIVIA DAVIS m. FRANK HODGES
 - b. Jan. 19, 1848 b. May 15, 1846
 - d. April 7, 1926
 - m. Feb. 27, 1866
- 1. MARY LOU HODGES m. JOHN W. POUND
 - b. Nov. 11, 1868 b. Sept. 4, 1867
 - m. Dec. 23, 1896
 - 1". JOHN WALTER POUND JR.
 - b. 1898 (served in the World War).
 - 2". FRANKLIN HODGES POUND
 - b. 1901
 - 3". Dr. E. C. POUND
 - b. Feb. 25, 1904
- 2. LEMUEL J. HODGES
 - b. Mar. 11, 1874
 - d. Aug. 6, 1882
- 3. OLIVIA HODGES m. F. C. BARKER
 - b. Nov. 15, 1875
 - m. Dec. 27, 1904
- 4. GORDON HODGES
 - b. Oct. 15, 1878
 - d. Aug. 6, 1882
- 5. McCORMICK HODGES m. RUBY STONE
 - b. Jan. 11, 1882
 - m. Dec. 3, 1902
- 6. FRANK HODGES m. RUBY WILLIS
 - b. Jan. 2, 1884
 - d. Sept. 27, 1919
 - m. April 1908
- 4'. JERRY DAVIS m. SADIE BRYANT. Lived at Houston. Factory in Houston Co.
 - b. June 30, 1852 b. Aug. 21, 1855
 - m. Nov. 23, 1876
 - 1. PEARL DAVIS m. HAL BEALL
 - b. Aug. 20, 1877 b. July 17, 1875
 - m. Oct. 4, 1899
 - 1". ELIZABETH BEALL m. HUBERT TUCKER
 - b. Oct. 20, 1901
 - m. March 2, 1920
 - 2". JEAN BELL m. LEE FALLIN
 - b. Aug. 28, 1903
 - m. Oct. 9, 1924
 - 3". FRANCES BEALL
 - b. Sept. 29, 1907
 - 4". HAL T. BEALL JR.
 - b. Jan. 9, 1917
 - 2. ALVA DAVIS m. KATE HURST
 - b. Aug. 29, 1879 b. Dec. 10, 1881
 - m. Feb. 24, 1914
 - 1". JERRY DAVIS
 - b. Dec. 30, 1915
 - 3. EDGAR BRIM DAVIS m. LUCY GRAY
 - b. Nov. 25, 1881 b. Oct. 1, 1888
 - m. Oct. 23, 1911
 - 1". EDWIN RRIM DAVIS
 - b. July 22, 1912

- 5'. JAMES DAVIS (Never Married)
- 6'. CHARLES DAVIS (Never Married)
 - b. Sept. 12, 1858
 - d. May 28, 1887
- 7'. MORTIMER DAVIS (Never Married)
- 8'. MATTIE DAVIS m. JAMES TROUTMAN (No Children)
- 9'. JEAN DAVIS m. BOYKIN CADE (No Children)
 - m. DR. TRAUTMAN
- 10'. HENRIETTA DAVIS m. MAURIO CARBONIE
 - b. May 15, 1870
 - m. Nov. 11, 1918 (No Children)
10. HENRIETTA A. THARP
11. MATTHEW A. THARP
12. JOHN VINSON A. THARP
- II. MARY A. THARP

b. Jan. 28, 1783. (Of her I have no trace)

Vincent T. A. Tharp married a second time. His second wife was Sarah Pierson of South Carolina. She was born Aug. 24, 1764, according to the Family Bible. It also gives the date of marriage as January 10, 1787. Sarah A. Tharp died in Twiggs County, Georgia, Jan. 2, 1832.

III. ELIZABETH A. THARP

b. Sept. 11, 1787 (Of her I have no trace)

IV. WILLIAM A. THARP m. MARTHA DAVIS

b. Oct. 5, 1788 b. July 4, 1800 married 1816
d. Sept. 25, 1841 d. 1874

William A. Tharp is buried in Twiggs County, Ga., at the old Jeremiah A. Tharp place. William and Martha Davis lived in Houston County, Georgia and have many descendants. Her will is filed in Houston Co., Ga., March 2, 1874.

A. MELVINA THARP m. JOHN THOMPSON

m. ROBERT JOHNSON

1. MATTIE TOMPSON m. JOHN HARRELSON. (They had four children but they all died in infancy).
2. WILLIAM TOMPSON m.———. (He died in the War Between the States).
3. JENNIE TOMPSON m. CAPT. WILL DUNKLIN. (He was in the Selma Guards and was killed at Gettysburg).
 - a. MATTIE DUNKLIN
 - b. LEE DUNKLIN

B. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN THARP m. MARTHA JACKSON

b. 1826
d. 1896
b. Sept. 16, 1819. (He was a Baptist Minister and an account of this life can be found in "History of the Baptist Denomination in Georgia." married 1843

d. 1899
1. ALBERT THARP m. Ade Williams

2. AURELIA THARP m. JUDGE JOE ANSLEY

1. JOE ANSLEY m. MARY WHITTAKER

2. MATTIE ANSLEY m. POWERS COOPER

1'. AURELIA COOPER

2'. MARTHA COOPER

3. TUCKER ANSLEY (Never Married)

4. FRANK ANSLEY (Never Married)

b. 1847
d. 1910 } 3. CLAUDIA THARP m. HUGH LAWSON { b. 1844
d. 1878

1. MATTIE LAWSON m. ANDREW CHIEVES

2. CLAUDE LAWSON m. PATE

3. HUGH LAWSON m. MARY COOPER (He married a second time).

4. EUGENIA THARP m. MACON WARTHEN (No Children).

5. OPHELIA THARP m. HOWELL ERWIN

1. HOWELL ERWIN

2. FRANK ERWIN

married Margaret Tucker Ansley
son Henry named Henry Blackstock
children to

6. IDA THARP m. OSGOOD WILLINGHAM of Macon
7. MARTHA m. _____
8. VALERIA THARP m. IRVING DENNARD (No Children)
- C. ELLEN THARP m. JAMES C. DENHAM (This branch of the family lived at Eatonton, Ga.)
 1. ALGERNON DENHAM m. KATE HARWELL
 1. BESS m. JOE CAMP
 2. CALLIE DENHAM m. J. B. NISBET
 3. ALGERNON DENHAM died young
 2. JULIA DENHAM m. CHARLES SANDERS
 3. ELLEN DENHAM m. A. ROGERS CASON. (They lived in Jewell, Ga. Mr. Cason died there in 1924.)
 1. DENHAM CASON
 2. HUGH CASON
 4. MORTIMER DENHAM m. ISABELLE COLLEY
 5. WILLY DENHAM m. FRANCES WINN
- D. JULIA ARBELLA m. TOME LOWE
 - m. WILLIAM LUNDY
 1. WALTER LUNDY m. KATE BARRY
 2. ELLA LUNDY m. EDEN TAYLOR (No Children)
 3. W. A. LUNDY m. BETTY JOHNSON
 4. GEORGIA LUNDY m. RICHARD BRYNE (They lived in Fla.)
 5. LUCUS LUNDY (Never Married)
 6. JIMMIE LUNDY
 7. OPHELIA LUNDY m. MONROE THARP
 1. LOIS THARP m. TOM HILL
 8. LINTON LUNDY _____
- E. WILLIAM THARP m. MARTHA FEAGIN
 1. ALMA THARP m. JUDGE HENRY BALDWIN (Lived at Madison, Ga.)

In THE STORY of GEORGIA by COOPER p. 807 there is a sketch of the life of HENRY WALTER BALDWIN and another on the life of HENRY WALTER BALDWIN and another on the life of THOMAS HENRY BALDWIN, son of Henry Baldwin. From these sketches I obtained the following information.

HENRY WALTER BALDWIN was born March 2, 1850. He was married in Houston County, Georgia, July 12, 1883, to ALMA THARP. Henry Baldwin died in Madison, Georgia, July 1, 1918. These are the children of HENRY and ALMA THARP BALDWIN:

1. WILLIAM BALDWIN (Pres. of the Bank of Conyers, Rockdale County|)
 - m. SARA SUE LANKFORD
2. MATTIE MAE BALDWIN m. J. C. ACTON of Augusta. Died in 1924.
 1. ALMA THARP ACTON
 2. WILLIAM DANDRIDGE ACTON
3. HENRY WALTER BALDWIN JR. m. HELEN RUSSELL IRVINE (He was a lawyer in Denver, Colorado.)
 1. HENRY WALTER BALDWIN III.
 2. ANNE IRVINE BALDWIN
 3. THARPE BALDWIN
 4. BETTY BALDWIN
 5. JANE BALDWIN
 6. ALMA THARPE BALDWIN
4. THOMAS BEVERLY BALDWIN m. AMELIA NOTT PARKER. (Lived in Madison, Ga.)
 - b. Dec. 18, 1893 b. d. Dec. 1, 1933
 - m. April 23, 1918
 1. THOMAS BEVERLY BALDWIN JR.
 - b. Jan. 19, 1919

2. LAURA STOVALL BALDWIN
 - b. July 15, 1922
5. GEORGE FEAGIN BALDWIN m. HELEN EGAN SELLECK
(Lived in Denver, Col.)
 - d. Oct, 1934.
 1. LOUISE BALDWIN.
2. WILL THARP m. MARTHA CULPEPPER (Lived in Houston Co., Ga.)
3. ERNEST F. THARP m. LUCIA REDDY
 1. MARTHA m. CYRIL A. ROU
 1. JERRE ANNE
 2. MARGARET THARRE
 3. VIRGINIA THARPE
 - d. June 16, 1938
4. GEORGIA THARP m. DR. _____ RAMSEUR
5. EDDIE THARP m. ELIZABETH WARREN (He was Tax Collector for Houston Co., Ga.)
- F. JAMES D. THARP m. JANE KILLEN
 - m. MATTIE LEE PIERCE
 1. JULE THARP m. J. B. RILEY (They lived in Macon, Ga.)
 2. AUGUSTUS THARP m. ROSA COLLIER
 3. THOMAS THARP m. EUGENIA McCORD (No Children)
 4. MAGGIE THARP m. DR. JAMES SOLOMON
 - b. Dec. 28, 1866 b. Jan. 28, 1861
 1. MARGARET AVARILLA SOLOMON
A.B. & M.A. Degrees, Principal of one of the Atlanta, Ga., Public Schools and Instructor in the University of Georgia Summer School.)
 2. JANIE THARP SOLOMON
A.B. & M.A. Degrees, Supervisor of Physical Education in the Atlanta Public Schools.
 3. JIMMIE CAREY SOLOMON
Secretary in the Atlanta Public Schools.
 4. ESTHER SOLOMON m. S. E. YOUNG
 5. RUTH SOLOMON m. CAPT. L. O. GRICE of the U. S. A.
 5. JANIE THARP m. DR. ROBERT S. HENRY (Lived in Chattanooga, Tenn.)
 1. FANNIE ROBERTA HENRY
 - b. APRIL 25, 1893
 - d. SEPT. 28, 1903
 2. ROBERT SAMUEL HENRY m. MANILA UTTS of Des Moines.
 - b. SEPT. 18, 1897
 - 1'. DOROTHY DEAN HENRY
b. OCT. 4, 1922
 - 2'. JACQUELYNE HENRY
b. Feb. 28, 1926
 3. JEN RUTH HENRY m. HENRY HARRISON EAGAR
b. Oct. 2, 1904
 6. COALSON THARP (Lived in Henderson, Ga.)
- G. ADDIE THARP m. E. L. FELDER
 1. GUS FELDER (Never Married)
 2. ED FELDER (Never Married)
 3. JULE FELDER m. HENRY EVERETT
- H. MORTIMER THERP m. LU CARDWELL (Lived in Harodsborg, Ky.)
- I. GEORGIA THARP m. EDEN TAYLOR
 1. CLAUDE TAYLOR m. WILL BASS
 1. GEORGIA BASS
 2. AMELIA BASS
 3. WILLIAM BASS
 4. MARTHA BASS

2. GUY TAYLOR m. ANNIE BROWN
 1. BROWNIE TAYLOR
 2. EDITH TAYLOR
 3. WILLIAM TAYLOR
 4. VIRGINIA TAYLOR
3. ELLEN TAYLOR (Never Married)
- J. AUGUSTUS THARP m. MARIA CORBIN (Children died young).
- V. CHARNICK A. THARP m. ELIZABETH JEFFERSON

b. FEB. 27, 1790	b. Dec. 29, 1799
d. Nov. 19, 1867	d. Oct. 7, 1872
m. July 18, 1816	

Charnick A. Tharp was born in Warren County, Georgia (From his diary) in 1790. He lived in that neighborhood until he came to Twiggs County in 1809 to help build a house there for the rest of his family. He joined Stone Creek Baptist Church March 22, 1812. His wife, Elizabeth Jefferson, was born in South Carolina. Early in 1825 he started preaching and became the minister of Stone Creek Church when his Father, Vincent T. A. Tharp, died. Charnick was on the committee sent from Stone Creek Church to help constitute the First Baptist Church in Macon in 1827. Charnick never received any pay for his services as a minister. He explained that in his diary by saying that once in his early life there was an earthquake. He was very frightened and promised the Lord that if he would take care of him he would serve Him the rest of his life. Once a congregation gave him a set of books that he highly prized. These were in his grandson, George Tharp's, possession, and were burned when his house was destroyed by fire in 1930. In 1856 he resigned as minister of the Church because of ill health. Charnick A. Tharp and Elizabeth Jefferson had seventeen children. Only three died in childhood. They lived on a plantation and had a number of slaves. They always had plenty. In his diary he often lists the amount of money he received when he sold his cotton, corn or produce. In 1858 he sold cotton at 11c a pound and received \$4,000.00 for his crop. Charnick A. Tharp is buried in a cemetery just across the road from his home near Stone Creek Church.

As I was reading in the "History of Laurens County, Georgia," I found the following, "Polar Springs Baptist Church."

"At the time the church was constituted Laurens County had not been formed and the Church was in Wilkerson Co. The presbytery constituted of Charles Culpepper, Isaiah Shirley and Charnie Tharp. The first conference was held Aug. 22, 1807, with John Albriton as moderator."

- (Children of Charnick and Elizabeth Jefferson A. Tharp)
1. LEANNAH A. THARP m. Rev. WILLIAM D. HORNE. They lived in Twiggs County, Ga., most of the time several miles from Jeffersonville. I have been to the old home.
 - b. July 7, 1817
 - d. Nov. 22, 1887

1. CORNELIA HORNE m. WILLIAM METHVIN
 - LEM BURKETT
 - JOE BULLOCK
 1. EUGENE METHVIN m. JENNIE CARSWELL
 2. WILL METHVIN m. JENNIE GRIFFIN
 3. MINNIE METHVIN died young
 4. LEM BURKETT (never married)
 5. LALLAH BURKETT m. _____
 6. MAGGIE BURKETT m. _____
 7. EDDIE BULLOCK
 2. EMILY HORNE (Died young)
 3. MAGGIE HORNE m. ELLIC DAWSON (Lived in Atlanta)
 1. CORNELIA DAWSON m. HERBERT HAPE
 2. LEANNER DAWSON (Never married)
 3. BEILE DAWSON m. _____

4. WILL HORNE (Never married)
5. JOE HORNE m. MOLLIE JONES. Lived at Jeffersonville, Ga.
 1. EMMA HORNE m. ROBERT WITHINGTON
 1. GEORGE WITHINGTON
 2. CORINE WITHINGTON
 3. MYRTLE WITHINGTON
 2. ANNIE MAE m. _____
 3. NORMAN HORNE
 4. HOWARD (?) HORNE
 5. ETHELENE HORNE
2. BENJAMIN A. THARP m. SUSAN CHAPPELL
 - b. Sept. 5, 1918
 - b. Mar. 31, 1822
 - d. June 3, 1863
 - d. June 25, 1897
 - m. 1839

Benjamin A. Tharp lived in Twiggs County. He was Clerk of Stone Creek Church for a number of years.

 1. MARCELLUS AUGUSTUS THARP m. MARIA E. McCLENDON
 - b. Sept. 15, 1840
 - b. Aug. 12, 1844
 - d. Jan. 9, 1901
 - d. July 19, 1926
 - m. Oct. 15, 1865

From the "History of Doles-Cook Brigade" by Henry W. Thomas, 1861-1865, page 125, "Tharp, M. A., private, April 25, 1861. Tran. to Navy, served on Merrimac. Died in Worth Co., Ga., 1899."
(I was given Jan. 9, 1901, as the date of his death.)

 1. MYRTILLA THARP m. CHARLIE JACKSON CHAMPION
 - b. Aug. 28, 1866
 - b. Feb. 14, 1859
 - d. Apr. 29, 1935
 - d. Oct. 5, 1934
 - m. March 29, 1887. They lived in Worth County, Ga.
 1. AUGUSTUS FORTE CHAMPION m. ALMA KNIGHTON
 - b. Jan. 17, 1888.
 - b.
 - m. Oct. 3, 1917
 - 1'. NORMAN FORTE CHAMPION
 - b. March 17, 1920
 2. SUSIE CHAMPION
 - b. July 17, 1889
 - d. July 17, 1889
 3. EARNEST MAXWIL CHAMPION m. AGNES ROBERTS
 - b. May 26, 1890
 - m. May 30, 1920
 - 1'. EARNEST MAXWELL CHAMPION
 - b. APR. 1, 1931 at Cordele, Ga.
 - 2'. JULIA AGNES CHAMPION
 - b. April 21, 1923, at Brunswick, Ga.
 - 3'. CHARLES ANDREW CHAMPION
 - b. July 14, 1925, at Brunswick, Ga.
 4. EFFIE MARIE CHAMPION m. W. E. DANIELS
 - b. Dec. 7, 1891
 - m. Aug. 27, 1911
 - 1'. VEASY RANDOLPH DANIELS b. June 11, 1912
 - m. SUDIE MURPHY
 - m. Feb. 12, 1938
 - 1'. BETTY ROSE DANIELS
 - 2'. MYRTLE CHRISTINE DANIELS b. Feb. 20, 1915
 - m. STEVE DAVIDSON
 - m. DEC. 15, 1935
 - 1'. STEVE LOCK DAVIDSON
 - b. Mar. 13, 1938
 - 3'. MENLA THARP DANIELS
 - b. June 26, 1917
 - 4'. ALTA MILDRED DANIELS
 - b. May 8, 1919
 - d. June 26, 1920

- 5'. JENNIE CAMILLA DANIELS
b. Apr. 25, 1921
- 6'. LILLIAN MARIE DANIELS
b. Sept. 16, 1925
7. BENJAMIN FRANKLIN DANIELS
b. June 17, 1928
8. FRANCIS LYNELLE DANIELS
b. Mar. 12, 1932
5. JENNIE CAMILLA CHAMPION
b. Jan. 27, 1894
d. May 18, 1895
6. MYRTIE MAY CHAMPION m. G. H. KEMP
b. Nov. 15, 1895
m. June 25, 1925
1. GENE KEMP
b. Feb. 14, 1929
7. CHARLES DURELL CHAMPION m. HARRIETT HILL
b. Aug. 31, 1897
m. Dec. 23, 1926
1. JUDITH CELESTE CHAMPION
b. Nov. 26, 1927
2. CHARLES DURELL CHAMPION
b. Jan. 29, 1938
8. THERON HERBERT CHAMPION
m. ROSA JOSEPHINE POWELL
b. July 21, 1899
m. Dec. 23, 1937
9. ROSSIE BURTON CHAMPION m. JOE L. PORCHER
b. Oct. 2, 1901
m. June 26, 1923
1. PEGGY JANE PORCHER
b. Aug. 26, 1929
10. AMZIE CORINE CHAMPION m. CLEO THERON BOYD
b. Nov. 13, 1903
m. Oct. 21, 1923
1. JULIETTE MARGIE BOYD
b. Oct. 9, 1925
2. GENE DERRELLE BOYD
b. Nov. 18, 1929
3. CLEO JACKSON BOYD
b. Jan. 14, 1930
4. LONNIE JAMES BOYD
b. March 30, 1935
11. MENLA VIRGINIA CHAMPION
b. Jan. 6, 1906
d. Jan. 7, 1906
12. LOIS IRENE CHAMPION
b. Mar. 6, 1907
13. HOMER CHAPPELL CHAMPION m. AGNES BUSH
b. Nov. 26, 1909
m. March 25, 1932
1. JONATHAN CHAMPION
b. Mar. 7, 1937
2. MARCELLUS DURRELLE THARP m. MATTIE SLAPPEY
b. Sept. 12, 1868
d. Dec. 14, 1911
m. March 7, 1894. No children.
3. EARNEST THARP
b. Oct. 1, 1872
d. April 11, 1890. Never married.
4. ROSSIE BURTON THARP
b. April 26, 1870

5. MENLA THARP
b. June 22, 1880
d. June 26, 1909. Never married.
6. SUSAN RUTH THARP m. JOHN ODUM
b. Aug. 15, 1874
d. Oct. 1, 1913
m. June 4, 1892
7. ROSA AUGUSTA THARP m. WALTER L. SLAPPEY
b. June 28, 1877
d. Feb. 8, 1926
m. Oct. 6, 1897
 1. MINNIE LEE SLAPPEY m. JOHN FRANKLIN JAMES
b. Aug. 4, 1898
 1. Infant born and died Dec. 27, 1913
 2. ZELDA EMMA JAMES
m. ROBERT WILLIAM JOLLY
b. July 12, 1915
m. May 11, 1931
 1. ROMANA JOAN JOLLY
b. Dec. 22, 1932
 2. AMY RUTH JOLLY
b. Sept. 12, 1934
 3. JOHNNIE WILL JOLLY
b. May 8, 1936
 4. WILLIAM ROBERT JOLLY
b. Feb. 28, 1938
 5. HELEN ELIZA JOLLY
b. Nov. 9, 1939
 3. HAVUS MEDFORD JAMES
m. AUDRY WILMA McDONALD
b. Feb. 8, 1917
m. Sept. 19, 1936
 1. JAMES RANDALL JAMES
b. June 10, 1938
 4. ELLIS LOFTON JAMES
b. Oct. 31, 1918
 5. ALVIN CADETT JAMES
b. Oct. 2, 1924
 6. CECIL LINDY JAMES
b. Feb. 21, 1928
2. VELMA IMOGENE SLAPPEY
m. JESSIE D. SOUTHWELL
b. Feb. 13, 1900
m. Aug. 29, 1918
 1. ANNIE REMELLE SOUTHWELL
m. JAMES HERMAN YOUNG
b. Nov. 28, 1919
m. Feb. 24, 1939
3. SIMEON DOUGLAS SLAPPEY
m. GENEVIEVE WILLIAMS
b. Jan. 24, 1902
m. Aug. 6, 1933
 1. GEORGE DOUGLAS SLAPPEY
b. May 3, 1935
 2. ANDREW LEE SLAPPEY
b. July 29, 1936
 3. MARY BARBARA SLAPPEY
b. Mar. 16, 1938
 4. WILLIAM FRED SLAPPEY
b. Sept. 20, 1939
4. GLADYS LOUISE SLAPPEY
b. June 23, 1905

5. ELIZABETH F. SLAPPEY m. G. D. WHIDDON
 - b. Oct. 15, 1908
 - m. Oct. 15, 1925
 1. DEWEY NOLAN WHIDDON
 - b. Aug. 8, 1926
 2. WILLIAM DREXEL WHIDDON
 - b. Aug. 14, 1928
 3. GUSSIE FERREL WHIDDON
 - b. May 28, 1930
 4. WAYNE LO VAN WHIDDON
 - b. May 24, 1932
 5. GLORIA ANN WHIDDON
 - b. Oct. 18, 1936
6. JACK SLAPPEY m. VERA HOUSTON
 - b. Mar. 16, 1910
 - m. Sept, 1936
 1. BETTY VIVIAN SLAPPEY
 - b. Feb. 3, 1939
7. ROSA ALLIREE SLAPPEY m. LEWIS GAY
 - b. Oct. 16, 1911
 - m. April 2, 1933
 1. SARAH PATRICIA GAY
 - b. Oct. 8, 1935
8. DEWEY SLAPPEY (Died young)
9. EMILY MENLA SLAPPEY
 - b. Sept. 3, 1914
10. CHARLIE MELVIN SLAPPEY
 - b. Feb. 1, 1920
2. SALLIE E. THARP
 - b. Aug. 13, 1843
 - d. Aug. 30, 1924
3. EDWIN HARRIS THARP m. ANGELA McJUNKIN. (These people lived in Texas. I am not sure of the names in this branch but I will give them as they were given me.)
 1. RUTH THARP m. W. B. COCHRAN
 2. EULA THARP m. Rev. JOHN M. NEAL
 1. LONDON NEAL
 2. WINIFRED NEAL
 3. ELEANOR RUTH NEAL
 3. BEN CAROL THARP m. NORRIS WALLACE
 1. BEN CAROL THARP
 2. GEORGE EDWIN THARP
 4. ROGER THARP m. MYRTLE MOONEY
 1. VIVIAN THARP
 5. Rev. R. HUBERT THARP m. CLARA HIRSM
 1. EULA MAE THARP
 2. EDNA THARP
 3. WARREN BAYLOR THARP
 6. CAREY E. THARP
4. MATTIE FRANCES THARP m. MARCUS L. CHAMPION.
 - Lived at Doles, Ga.
 - b. Nov. 3, 1858
 - d. Oct. 8, 1928
 - m. June 17, 1883
 - b. Jan. 31, 1852
 - d. April 22, 1928
 1. MYRA CHAMPION, born and died Mar. 1, 1884
 2. HERSCHEL L. CHAMPION m. DAYSIE DUPREE
 - b. Jan. 31, 1885
 - m. April 12, 1906
 1. J. L. CHAMPION
 - b. Aug. 21, 1909
 - d. Aug. 22, 1909

2. HUBERT EDWARD CHAMPION
m. HAZEL LEE THORNHILL of Worth Co., Ga.
b. Oct. 22, 1911
m. June 24, 1939
3. CLYDE MARCUS CHAMPION
m. ELSIE EUNICE FAMBRO of Monroe Co., Ga.
m. April 4, 1934
 1. EDMOND PIERCE CHAMPION
b. Jan. 12, 1935
 2. DOROTHY VIRGINIA CHAMPION
b. Mar. 20, 1936
 3. EUNICE JOYCE CHAMPION
b. May 25, 1938
4. EVA ALENE CHAMPION m. COLEY CANNON
b. Aug. 13, 1917
m. June 23, 1938
5. JAMES ELIAS CHAMPION
b. April 17, 1923
3. ELIAS AUGUSTUS CHAMPION m. EVA B. JONES
b. Jan. 28, 1887
d. Oct. 16, 1915
m. Feb. 28, 1908
 1. IRENE CHAMPION
 2. ELIZABETH CHAMPION m. OSCAR GANDY
b. Dec. 23, 1913
d. Sept. 2, 1935
4. PEARL CLIFFORD CHAMPION
b. Aug. 9, 1889
d. Sept. 28, 1893
5. BERTHA C. CHAMPION
b. Dec. 27, 1890
d. Jan. 9, 1881
6. BENJAMIN HARRIS CHAMPION m. ALICE POSEY
b. Jan. 6, 1892
m. Dec. 23, 1915
 1. MARTHA ELIZABETH CHAMPION
b. June 17, 1918
 2. WILLIE FARRIS CHAMPION (girl)
b. Feb. 24, 1922
 3. ALICE CLARICE CHAMPION
b. Feb. 24, 1922
Twins
7. MARCUS CLAUDE CHAMPION m. FANNIE JAMES
b. Jan. 2, 1895
m. Dec. 3, 1916
 1. MELBA IRENE CHAMPION
b. Sept. 29, 1922
 2. CLAUDE EUDONAL CHAMPION
b. Feb. 26, 1926
 3. M. L. CHAMPION
b. May 17, 1931
- MATTIE MAUDE CHAMPION m. CARL J. FULGHUM
b. Jan. 2, 1895
m. Dec. 3, 1911
 1. LUCILE FULGHUM m. FRANK PRINCE
 2. NELLIE FULGHUM
b. Aug. 3, 1915
 3. GLOVER FULGHUM
b. Aug. 13, 1917
 4. ELIAS FULGHUM
b. Dec. 15, 1919
5. CAMILLA THARP
6. BENJAMIN THARP (died young)

7. BENJAMIN CHARNICK THARP
m. Mrs. MAZIE NASH THARP
 1. CLAUDE THARP m. AILEEN WAGNON
 1. EDWIN THARP
 2. EALON THARP
 2. LINTON THARP m. SYBIL SALTER. Live at Tallahassee, Fla.
 3. BENJAMIN C. m. _____
 4. THOMAS SIMEON THARP m. _____
3. LUEZER A. THARP m. SEABORN JONES PASSMORE

b. Oct. 30, 1819	b. July 18, 1815
d. Nov. 14, 1897	d. Oct. 6, 1891

 m. Dec. 29, 1836 in Bibb Co., Ga. Court Records.
 1. SAMUEL CHARNICK PASSMORE
m. JOSEPHINE CLEMENTS

b. Mar. 13, 1838	
d. Sept. 6, 1864 (died in Confederate Service)	
m. July 10, 1864	
 2. RUFUS AUGUSTUS PASSMORE m. GEORGIA PACE

b. Oct. 30, 1839	
d. Sept. 5, 1877	
m. Aug. 3, 1863	

 1. ELIZABETH PASSMORE
 2. AUGUSTUS PASSMORE. Lived in St. Louis.
 3. SEABORN PASSMORE
 3. FRANCIS PASSMORE m. JOHN PERRY

b. Jan. 5, 1843	
d. Mar. 18, 1917	
m. Sept. 13, 1863	
 4. HARTWELL PASSMORE m. MARY L. PERKINS

b. Oct. 8, 1845	
d. Nov. 26, 1896	
m. Aug. 16, 1866	
 5. LAURA ELIZABETH PASSMORE m. JOHN A. PERKINS.
Lived at Celina, Tex.

b. Feb. 29, 1848	
m. Nov. 29, 1866	

 1. ELLA PERKINS
 2. BESSIE PERKINS
 3. CLARENCE PERKINS
 6. ALBERT PASSMORE

b. May 30, 1850	
d. Dec. 7, 1850	
 7. JOSEPH PASSMORE m. EUDORA SEALS

b. Sept. 3, 1851	
d. Nov., 1935	
m. Nov. 27, 1877	

 1. JESS PASSMORE
 8. BENJAMIN HILL PASSMORE m. ANNA GRUBBS

b. Oct. 2, 1853	
d. Aug. 30, 1912	

 m. Nov. 27, 1873. He was a Methodist minister at Galiad, Tex.
 1. HERBERT PASSMORE
 2. SUSIE PASSMORE
 3. BEN PASSMORE
 4. ANNA PASSMORE
 9. ALONZA PERRY PASSMORE m. OPHELIA SIMMONS

b. Dec. 2, 1855	
d. Aug. 28, 1922	
m. Nov. 9, 1876	
 10. SIMEON PASSMORE

b. Nov. 10, 1859	
d. Jan. 24, 1862	

11. SUSAN PASSMORE

b. Jan. 24, 1862

d. Jan. 24, 1862

LUCY A. THARP

b. 1821

d. Dec. 16, 1823

5. JOSEPH A. THARP m. MARY—————She came from Ala.
Later married John Davis Tharp.

b. Aug. 30, 1822

d. Sept. 1, 1875

VINCENT A. THARP

b. Dec. 21, 1823

d. Aug., 1826

7. DAVID A. THARP m. ELIZABETH ANN JEFFERSON

b. Aug. 2, 1825

d. June 29, 1852.

They lived in the West for a long time. When he died his wife married a man who posed as a minister. He left with David's watch and a number of other things, and she never saw him again.

1. THOMAS J. THARP m. M. C. COBB

(Born in Ala.) When his father died he came to Georgia to live with his grandfather, Charnick A. Tharp. When Charnick died his daughter Francis took Tom to raise.

1. MINNIE THARP

2. VESTA THARP

3. COBB THARP (Died young)

4. DAVID C. THARP

2. ELIZABETH ANN THARP m. HENRY THOMAS

m. JAMES TORBERT of Sumter Co., Ga.

b. about 1853 in Louisiana.

1. HYMER THOMAS (girl)

8. SIMEON A. THARP m. NANCY CHAPPELL

b. Nov. 13, 1827

b. Dec. 24, 1930

Simeon A. Tharp and his wife lived in Twiggs Co., Ga. He was a Baptist minister and for a time preached at Stone Creek Baptist Church. He also served in the Confederate Army. From "History of Doles—Cook Brigade," by Henry W. Thomas, 1861-1865, page 125, I found the following: Tharp, Simeon, private recruit. Promoted First Lieutenant, served through the war, died after the surrender."

1. GEORGE WASHINGTON THARP

m. MARY ANNE REBECCA DAVIS

b. AUG. 30, 1850

b. Mar. 18, 1850

m. Nov. 23, 1871

They lived in Bibb County, Georgia. He was a Baptist minister for a number of years. He preached at Stone Creek Baptist Church for a long time.

1. OSCAR ROBERT THARP m. LA VERTE ROBERTSON

b. Aug. 30, 1872

b. May 14, 1873

d. 1928

m. Oct. 20, 1897

1. OSCAR ROBERT THARP

2. GEORGE HERBERT THARP m. LULA MAE HOLDER

b. June 30, 1874

b. Jan. 31, 1887

m. June 14, 1905

1. GEORGE GORDON THARP m. BEVERLY ———

3. WILLIAM TULLIE THARP m. VERA BROWN

b. Aug. 3, 1878

b. Nov. 7, 1880

m. Jan. 3, 1905

1. WILLIAM THARP

4. REBA THARP m. JAMES EMORY YATES, Sr.

b. Jan. 12, 1883

b. July 5, 1869

m. Feb. 5, 1905

1. HELEN YATES

b. Feb. 24, 1909

2. ELEANOR ALLIE YATES
m. ROBERT WIRT WASHINGTON. They live at
Fredericksburg, Va.
b. Jan. 29, 1915
3. MARTHA YATES m. MAURICE SMITH
b. March 27, 1917
1. LLOYD WASHINGTON
5. CLARA THARP
b. March, 1876
d. Sept., 1878
6. JEFFERSON THARP m. FERRIS OWEN
b. Jan. 21, 1881 b. Apr. 4, 1892
m. Dec. 13, 1917
1. EDGAR THARP
7. BESSIE THARP
b. Dec. 11, 1886
8. ALLIE GOODWIN THARP m. MORRIS DURKEE
b. Mar. 30, 1891
m. May 14, 1918
1. DONALD DURKEE
2. ELLA THARP (Died young)
3. WILLIAM THARP m. MAZIE NASH
1. CLARENCE THARP m. LILLIAN WALKER. Live at Tal-
lahassee, Fla.
1. JOSEPHINE THARP
2. WALKER THARP
3. MARY ELLEN THARP
4. JEANNETTE THARP
2. ALMA THARP m. _____
3. WILL CLIFFORD m. ALSTYNE BRAGG
4. IDA THARP m. WILLIAM PATTERSON
1. ERNEST PATTERSON
2. _____ a girl who died young.
5. JOE BROWN THARP (died in childhood)
6. JEREMIAH THARP (died in childhood)
7. THOMAS SIMEON THARP m. EMMA BOND
m. MATTIE MATTHEWS. (Lived at Dry Branch, Ga.)
1. CLARA THARP m. THEODORE MANLY of Griffin
1. THOMAS MANLY (died in childhood)
2. LILLIAN THARP m. TULLIE JOE JOHNSTON
No children.
8. ANNE THARP (died in childhhood)
9. JEFFERSON A. THARP m. CORDELIA LAND
b. July 20, 1829
d. Jan. 6, 1881
m. Jan. 19, 1854 (Bibb Court Records)
1. MARY ELIZABETH THARP m. JOHN DAVIS THARP
b. Jan. 19, 1887 b. April 24, 1882
d. May 27, 1900
1. JOHN DAVIS THARP (girl) m. THOMAS BURTON
b. July 12, 1889
10. MARTHA ANNA THARP m. THOMAS HENRY JONES
b. Oct. 21, 1831
1. HENRY A. JONES m. SALLIE EDMUSTON
1. WALTER JONES (killed in a Railroad accident)
2. MATTIE JONES (didn't marry)
2. LODRICK M. JONES m. LILA P. DANIEL (A sketch of his
life will be given later)
b. April 28, 1850. m. ISABELLA ALLING
1. LODERICK MALONE JONES
2. ELIZABETH JONES

3. WILLIAM JONES
 4. AUDREY JONES
 5. ISABELLE JONES
 3. JOHN C. JONES m. SALLIE ERP
 1. TOM M. JONES m. HELENE HUDSON
 1. HELENE JONES
 2. TOM JONES
 2. BESSIE JONES m. JOHN WATERHOUSE
 4. TOM JONES m. VOLA EPPS
 1. ROBERT JONES (Died young)
 2. ANDREW JONES
 3. NETTIE JONES m. A. C. YEOMANS
 5. FRANK JONES m. DOLLIE JONES (sister of Alec Jones)
 - m. LILA LATIMER (no children)
 1. FRANK JONES (died young)
 6. ROBERT TOOMBS JONES m. LUCY REBECCA RYLES
 1. FRANK JONES (died young)
 2. ROBERT TOOMBS JONES
 - m. EVE ZULENA PETTIGREW
 3. HENRY AUGUSTUS JONES m. WILLA TOMPSON
 7. BEN C. JONES m. LAURA WALL
 - m. SARAH WASNER
 1. REBECCA JONES m. WILL DAN JONES
 2. MAIDEE JONES m. JOE MANSPIE
 3. JOHN JONES m. _____
 - Children of second wife:
 - ALLYNE JONES m. MAURICE HOLLOWAY
 5. WARREN JONES
 6. DEWEY JONES
 7. TOM JONES
 8. CLIFFORD JONES
 9. MOLLIE JONES
 10. VIRGINIA JONES (All three of these little girls died at the same time with the measles.)
 11. ELIZABETH A. THARP m. ISAAC JESSUP
 - b. Apr. 9, 1833
 1. SAM JESSUP m.
 2. MONROE JESSUP m. ELIZABETH
 3. HENRIE JESSUP m. S. T. MANN (No children)
 4. ROSA JESSUP m. G. P. GOSTIN, M. D. They lived in Macon, Ga.
 1. BERNARD GOSTIN, M. D. m. KATHERINE ELIZABETH DAWSON from London, England. They also live in Macon.
 1. ROSETTA GOSTIN
 2. BELGRADE GOSTIN m. VIRGINIA CAMDEN from Parkersburg, W. Va.
 3. BERNICE GOSTIN m. SYDNEY T. FRANCE from Rockdale, England.
 1. BERNARD FRANCE
 2. SYLVIA SYDNEY
 2. LAMAR GOSTIN m. MARTHA SUMMERS
 3. MAURINE GOSTIN m. JACK RICHER from Savannah. m. LLOYD MIELIENZ
 5. ELMIRA JESSUP (Died young)
 12. WASHINGTON A. THARP m. MARGARET HAWKINS
 - m. Mrs. MARTHA BUCHANNON LANSFORD
 - b. Sept. 20, 1834
 - He was a Baptist minister and lived for a time at Oglethorpe, Georgia. He never had any children.
 13. FRANCES A. THARP m. BENNET JONES (They lived near Bullards, in Twiggs County, Ga.)
 - b. Nov. 26, 1836
 - d. Sept. 12, 1912
 - married. Dec. 6. 1869
- died
 Apr. 25, 1890
 aged 78 yrs.

1. MARY ELIZABETH JONES m. JOHN NORWOOD DAVIS
(Lived in Bibb Co., Ga.)
b. Mar. 30, 1873
m. Dec. 15, 1898
- b. Dec. 5, 1861
d. Apr. 14, 1941
1. SAMUEL NORWOOD DAVIS (Died young)
2. FRANCES ANITA DAVIS m. JAMES GREEN TUTEN
(Born in Jessup, Ga.)
b. Dec. 15, 1900
m. Aug. 7, 1938
- b. Dec. 20, 1897
3. ELEANOR PEARL DAVIS
b. Aug. 29, 1903
m. HORACE LAURENS McSWAIN of Cross Hill, S. C.
m. June 12, 1941
4. JOHN GILBERT DAVIS m. HELEN BLOODWORTH
b. Oct. 4, 1907
of Perry, Ga.
m. VIRGINIA GILLON of Macon, Ga.
1. HELEN DAVIS. Lives in Perry, Ga.
5. MARY ELIZABETH DAVIS m. HARRY E. LUMPKIN
b. Aug. 23, 1910
1. FRANCES ELEANOR LUMPKIN
14. EMALINE A. THARP m. COL. EDWIN A. NASH
b. May 26, 1838
d. Jan. 24, 1879
- b. Apr. 30, 1835
d. Oct. 21, 1913
- They lived in Twiggs County, Georgia. From "History of Doles-Cook
rigade," by Henry W. Thomas, 1861-1865, page 79. Lieutenant-Colonel
A. Nash entered the service as second lieutenant in 1861, and by suc-
cessive promotions became in 1864, lieutenant colonel of his regiment at
e surrendered was in command of the brigade. He was always at his post a
brave and competent officer, who deserved and possessed the respect and
confidence of all his comrades."
1. RUBEN NASH m. MRS. JENNIE DUPREE McCARTHY
Lived near Dublin, Ga.
1. OLLIE NASH m. DUGGAN
2. BESSIE NASH
3. ALLYNE NASH m. HOWELL. (Lived at Danville, Ga.)
2. ED NASH m. LOU SELLARS JOHNSON
1. ERNEST NASH (Died young)
3. ROBERT NASH m. NELLIE BEEBEE. Lived at Palmetto, Fla.
1. GUY NASH
2. GLENN NASH
3. CLYDE NASH
4. NELLIE NASH
4. MARY NASH. Married twice at Ocala, Fla.
1. ARTHUR
2. CLAUDE
3. IRENE. Never married. Killed when she fell off a horse.
5. MARY ELIZABETH NASH m. ADAM RAU of Reddick, Fla.
6. SHORTER NASH. Never married
7. PENELOPE IRENE NASH m. BURT MOREHEAD of Hel-
ena, Ga.
1. LOUIS MOREHEAD
2. BURNS MOREHEAD
3. RUTH MOREHEAD
4. DOYLE MOREHEAD
5. BURT MOREHEAD
8. EMMA FRANCES NASH m. JOE JOHNSON BAXLEY of
Bartow, Fla.
1. FLORINE JOHNSON m. Dr. EDGAR DUNSTON of
Dallas, Tex.
1. DOROTHY DUNSTAN
2. PAUL
3. RALPH
4. LOUISE

9. TOM NASH m. ANNIE LOU PIERSON
 1. BEN NASH. Lives in Houston, Tex.
 2. HARVEY NASH
 3. LINTON NASH
 4. EMMY LOU NASH
 5. AUDREY NASH m. WILLIAM COLQUITT
 15. JUDSON A. THARP
 - b. Nov. 14, 1839
 - d. Aug. 10, 1862

He enlisted in the Confederate Army Mar. 4, 1862. He was in Company I, 6th Ga. Regiment. He died in service.
 16. JEREMIAH A. THARP
 - b. June 24, 1841
 - d. Aug. 23, 1841
 17. CHARNICK A. THARP
 - b. Jan. 18, 1843
 - d. July 10, 1862

He enlisted May 27, 1861, in Co. I, 6th Ga. in the Confederate Army. The War Records list the end of his service as June 25, 1862, but that was probably when he was wounded, for I think he died at home. He is buried in the Family Cemetery at his father's home.
- VI. NANCY A. THARP m. WILLOUGHBY SUGGART HILL
- | | |
|------------------|------------------------|
| b. Jan. 15, 1792 | b. 1788. d. Mar., 1822 |
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- m. JOHN M. GRAY
1. MARY HILL
 - b. 1815
 - d. Oct. 26, 1818
 2. MARTHA HILL
 - b. 1818
 - d. 1822
 3. VINCENT A. HILL m. MARIA DAVIS
 - b. Oct. 6, 1814
 - m. Jan. 30, 1934

They lived in Harris County, Ga. Vincent died there and left a will dated Oct. 20, 1853.

 1. ROSALINA ANTINET HILL
 2. HOPE HULL HILL
 3. JENNETT HILL
 4. SUSANNAH HILL
 5. MARY ANN JOANNA HILL
 6. REBECCA ANN HILL

Tracing Nancy A. Tharp proved quite a problem. I only found out anything about her through the help of a member of the Hill family who was trying to trace the descendants of Willoughby S. Hill. I only know the names of the three children given. If there were more I do not know. After she married John M. Gray I do not know if they had any children or not. He was a Baptist minister and one of the first ministers of the First Baptist Church of Macon, Ga. There will be a short sketch of him near the end. I do not know what became of Nancy A. Tharp Hill Gray.

- VII. JEREMIAH A. THARP m. JANE DUNN
- | | |
|--------------------|------------------|
| b. Oct. 1, 1793 | b. Mar. 7, 1799 |
| d. 1870 | d. Oct. 16, 1845 |
| m. MARGARET HUGHES | b. Oct. 1793 |
| | d. Dec. 23, 1863 |

Jeremiah A. Tharp lived in Twiggs County, Georgia. He was a deacon in the Stone Creek Baptist Church for a number of years. He was a large planter and a highly respected citizen of the county. His grandson, William Dunn Tharp, had in his possession a number of personal papers that had belonged to Jeremiah. They were most interesting. Among them were several receipts showing where he had turned in corn, peas, tc., to the Confederacy. It seems that all big planters were asked to give a certain

amount of produce to help in the Confederate cause. After the war he took an oath of allegiance to the United States Government and the paper is there to show it. Also there is an inventory of his estate after his death.

Jeremiah A. Tharp married Margaret Hughes in Bibb County, Ga., Feb. 9, 1847. They did not have any children. Below are listed the children of Jeremiah and Jane Dunn Tharp. I am not sure if they are in the right order but will give them as they were given to me.

1. MARTHA A. THARP m. CHAPPELL EPPS

1. RUFUS EPPS m. DORA THARP (Sister of Monroe Tharp)
No children.

2. HENRIETTA EPPS m. JIM HUNNICUTT

3. EMMA EPPS m. WILL PIERCE

1. CLEVE PIERCE (Died young)

2. JOHN PIERCE

3. MATTIE MAE PIERCE

4. MOLLIE EPPS m. WILL MILLER

1. J. C. MILLER

2. WALKER MILLER

3. EPSIE MILLER

4. MAE MILLER

5. LOUISE MILLER

6. MARGUERITE MILLER

5. WILL EPPS m. LULA MILLER

2. LUCINDA A. THARP m. GEORGE YANCY LOWE b. 1802 d. 1841
m. C. H. McCALL

1. MARY J. LOWE m. GERRY MONROE FELTON. Lived in Macon. b. 1826 d. 1894

2. ——— McCALL m. CLEMENTS

3. HELEN McCALL

4. HORACE McCALL

5. KOSS McCALL

3. POLLY A. THARP m. JONES

1. MARTHA JONES m. WILLIS EPPS (He was a son of Chappell Epps by his first wife, so was not related to us.)

1. JULIUS EPPS. Never married.

2. VIOLA EPPS m. TOM JONES

1. ROBERT JONES. Died young.

2. ANDREW JONES

3. NETTIE JONES m. A. C. YEOMANS

3. HORACE EPPS m. MARY AMERSON

4. JOHN EPPS m. JIM MILLER

5. TERRELL EPPS. Never married.

6. MARY ETTA EPPS m. COLUMBUS M. MOORE

7. GENEVA EPPS m. Dr. J. O. HILL. Lived in Anniston, Ala.

8. NEVADA EPPS m. WILLIAM NORRIS
Twins.

2. ELIZABETH JONES m. PINK MERCER. They lived at Fitzpatrick, Ga., and had a number of children, but I do not know all their names.

1. ELIZABETH MERCER m. ROBERT BURNS
She was killed by lightning.

3. LINA JONES m. GEORGE MOORE. Live in Arkansas.

4. DOLLIE JONES m. FRANK JONES

1. FRANK JONES. Died young.

5. ——— JONES. Died young.

6. ALEC JONES m. MISSOURI CALLOWAY

1. MAE JONES m. MILTON ROBERTS

2. CLIFTON JONES m. LUCILE ———

3. BLANCHE JONES m. FREEMAN WHITEHEAD

4. NELL JONES m. ——— JOHNSON

5. JOSEPHINE JONES

6. GRACE JONES

7. FRANK JONES

8. T. C. JONES

b. 1820 }
d. 1885 }
N. 1839 }

4. LOUISA A. THARP m. TOM PACE
 - b. Oct. 11, 1821
 - d. Mar. 28, 1848
 1. CARRIE PACE
 2. SEPHINE PACE
 - b. Dec. 1841
 - d. Feb. 1842
 3. LOUISA PACE
 - b. Dec. 1847
 - d. May 25, 1848
5. JANE A. THARP
 - b. Mar. 1825
 - d. Sept. 1843
6. WILLIAM VINCENT A. THARP m. ELIZABETH METHVIN.
They were married Mar. 7, 1852, by W. D. Horne. (History of Wilkinson Co.)
 1. MONROE C. THARP m. OPHELIA LUNDY
 1. LOIS THARP m. TOM HILL
 1. JULIAN HILL
 2. TOM HILL
 3. LOUIS HILL
 2. DORA THARP m. RUFUS J. EPPS. No children.
 - b. Dec. 1861
 3. DOLLIE THARP m. DR. ANDREW WOOD
 1. ERNEST WOOD
 2. GETTINGS WOOD
 4. WILLIAM DUDLEY THARP m. JENETTE GLISSON
 1. WILLIAM HOMER m. DAISY CHAMBLESS
 1. HOMER LYNWOOD THARP
 2. LAWRENCE ANDREW THARP
 3. MARY m. LEON HARTLEY, JR.
 4. JANE THARP
 2. MAYBELLE. Never married.
 3. ROSA m. WALTER MOODY
 4. KATE m. Z. A. BRAY
 1. ARVIL BRAY
 2. ROSA BRAY
 5. JACK THARP m.
 6. IDER THARP
 - b. 1860
 - d. Sept. 1861
7. THADEUS A. THARP m. BETTY S. NASH. They had several children but they all died in infancy.
 - b. Oct. 11, 1830
 - d. Sept. 1, 1855
 - m. Nov. 3, 1853. Court Records.
 1. THADEUS A. THARP
 - b. Nov. 9, 1854
 - d. Nov. 10, 1855
8. ALEXANDER C. THARP m. FANNIE HINSON
 - b. May 18, 1832
 - b. Sept. 3, 1847
 - m. Dec. 1, 1878
 - d. June 8, 1897
 - d. Nov. 18, 1938
 1. BILLIE D. THARPE, SR. m. BESSIE BOND
 - b. Sept. 25, 1879
 - b. Mar. 19, 1886
 - m. Feb. 14, 1903
 1. OPAL THARPE m. STEPHEN S. JONES
 - b. Dec. 27, 1903
 - b. May 31, 1893
 - m. Oct. 14, 1923
 1. BILLY W. JONES. b. Nov. 3, 1925
 2. MORRIS J. JONES. b. Sept. 12, 1927
 3. THOMAS R. JONES. b. Jan. 20, 1931

2. FRANCES THARPE m. ELTON V. WOOD
b. Mar. 24, 1907 b. Mar. 24, 1914
m. Feb. 12, 1937
1. SHIRLEY WOOD. b. Mar. 8, 1939
3. EDNA THARPE m. ROBERT L. POWELL
b. Sept. 27, 1908 b. Aug. 15th, 1905
m. June 6, 1936
1. WARREN POWELL, Oct. 19, 1942
4. JERE A. THARPE
b. Jan. 9, 1916
5. BILL D. THARPE, JR.
b. Dec. 28, 1917
9. ELIJAH THARP m. GEORGIA McCALL. Lived at Buna Vista, Ga.
m. TYBITHA McCALL
1. MACK THARP. Never married
2. GEORGE THARP m. IDA CARPENTER
3. HOMER THARP m. MATTIE MATHIS
4. WILL THARP. Never married
5. NEDA THARP m. GRAHAM FORRESTER
6. ANNIE THARP m. DR. M. D. HOLLIS
7. MERCER THARP m. MAUDE MATHEWS. Live at Moultrie, Ga.
10. ELIZABETH A. THARP m. FRANKLIN C. NELSON
m. in Bibb Co., Ga., Feb. 16, 1854. Court Records.
1. ALEX NELSON m. JULIA KEIGLER from Oglethorpe, Ga.
1. LAVERNE NELSON
2. MABEL NELSON
3. HENRY NELSON m. VIRGINIA ———
4. MARTHA NELSON
5. ALEX NELSON m. FRANCES WELL
1. ALEX NELSON
2. ALLEN NELSON
2. Mattie m. D. W. Jeter Macon Ga
- VIII. FLETCHER A. THARP m. NANCY DAVIS
b. Nov. 17, 1797 b. May 11, 1807
d. Sept. 12, 1825 d. Sept. 10, 1825
m. July 4, 1821, by Rev. Henry Hand (Family Bible)
1. JOHN DAVIS THARP m. SALLIE MOON
b. Apr. 4, 1822
m. MARY E. THARP
m. MARY THARP, dau. of Jefferson Tharp.
m. Jan. 19, 1887
1. JOHN DAVIS THARP (dau. of Mary Tharp and John Davis Tharp. She was born July 12, 1889.)
m. TOM BURTON. They live at Cocoa, Fla.
2. ADELIA A. THARP m. JOHN WALTON
b. Oct. 25, 1823
m. Oct. 15, 1839
1. JOHN WALTON. Died young.
Adelia was reared by her uncle and guardian, Charnick A. Tharp. She went to visit her aunt, Maria Davis, who had married Vincent Hill and was living in Harris County. While she was there she married John Walton.
3. VINCENT A. THARP m. EMILY ROBERTS.
b. Mar. 8, 1825. No children.
- IX. REBECKAH A. THARP. Never married.
- X. SARAH A. THARP m. ——— PERRYMAN
b. Jan. 25, 1803
m. ——— BUCHANNON
No trace of any of these.

COPIED FROM THE TOMBSTONES IN THE GRAVEYARD
NEAR THE SECOND RESIDENCE OF JEREMIAH A. THARPE:

J. A. THARP
b. 1793
d. 1870
A. C. THARP
b. 1832
d. 1897
To the Memory of
T. A. THARP
Who Was Born Octr. 11, 1830
Died Sept. 1, 1855
To the Memory of
THADEUS A., Son of
T. A. and E. S. THARP
Born Nov. 9th, 1854
Died Nov. 10th, 1855
JERRY, Son of
F. C. and E. J. NELSON

Born Aug. 1858
Died Feb. 26, 1859
In Memory of
WILLIAM A. THARP
Who Livved an Upright
and Belevolent Life
and Died Deeplly Lamented
Sept. 25th, 1841
Aged 52 Years
In Memory of
MARGARET, Wife of
J. A. THARP
Born Oct. 1st, 1793
Died Dec. 23rd, 1863
For Many Years a
Consistent Member
of the Baptist Church
She Sleeps in Jesus

COPIED FROM THE PAGES OF A FAMILY BIBLE (Now in the
possession of Mrs. James Emory Yates of Macon, Georgia).

VINCENT A. THARP, born Nov. 18, 1760
SARAH A. THARP, born Aug. 24, 1764

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| 1. JOHN A. THARP | Sept. 1, 1781 |
| 2. MARY A. THARP | Jan. 28, 1783 |
| 3. ELIZABETH A. THARP | Sept. 11, 1787 |
| 4. WILLIAM A. THARP | Oct. 5, 1788 |
| 5. CHARNICK A. THARP | Feb. 27, 1790 |
| 6. NANCY A. THARP | Jan. 15, 1792 |
| 7. JEREMIAH A. THARP | Oct. 1, 1793 |
| 8. FLETCHER A. THARP | Nov. 17, 1797 |
| 9. REBECKAH A. THARP | Oct. 3, 1801 |
| 10. SARAH A. THARP | Jan. 25, 1803 |

(These are the children of Charnick A. Tharp and Elizabeth Jefferson).

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| 1. LEANAH A. THARP | July 7, 1817 |
| 2. BENJAMIN A. THARP | Sept. 5, 1818 |
| 3. LUEZER A. THARP | Oct. 30, 1819 |
| 4. LUCY A. THARP | 1821 |
| 5. JOSEPH A. THARP | Aug. 30, 1822 |
| 6. VINCENT A. THARP | Dec. 21, 1823 |
| 7. DAVID A. THARP | Aug. 2, 1825 |
| 8. SIMEON A. THARP | Nov. 13, 1827 |
| 9. JEFFERSON A. THARP | July 20, 1829 |
| 10. MARTHA ANN A. THARP | Oct. 21, 1831 |
| 11. ELIZABETH A. THARP | Apr. 9, 1833 |
| 12. WASHINGTON A. THARP | Sept. 20, 1834 |
| 13. FRANCIS A. THARP | Novv. 26, 1836 |
| 14. EMALINE A. THARP | May 26, 1838 |
| 15. JUDSON A. THARP | Nov. 14, 1839 |
| 16. JEREMIAH A. THARP | June 24, 1841 |
| 17. CHARNICK A. THARP | Jan. 18, 1843 |
| BETHIAH PIERSON | Aug. 6, 1802 |
| PAMELIA PIERSON | Feb. 8, 1811 |
| ELIZABETH JEFFERSON | Dec. 29, 1799 |

MARRIAGES
COPIED FROM THE TOMBSTONES IN THE GRAVEYARD
NEAR THE FIRST RESIDENCE OF JEREMIAH A. THARP IN
TWIGGS COUNTY, GEORGIA:

IDER, Dau. of
V. W. and E. THARP
Born in 1860
Died in Sept., 1861
In Memory of LOUISA A.
Consort of THOS. PACE
Born Octr. 11th, 1821
Died Mar. 28th, 1848
She Was a Member of the
Baptist Church.
LOUISE M.
Dau. of T. B. and L. A. PACE
Born 5 Dec., 1847
Died 25 May, 1948
In Memory of

JANE A.
Consort of J. A. THARP
Born the 7th of March, 1799
Died the 16th of Octr., 1845
She Was a Member of the
Baptist Church.
To SEPHINE
Dau. of T. B. & L. A. PACE
Born in Dec., 1841
Died 20 Feb., 1842.
In Memory of
JANE A.
Dau. of J. A. and JANE A. THARP
Born 2nd March, 1825
Died in Sept., 1843

COPIED FROM SOME LOOSE SHEETS IN THE POSSESSION
OF MRS. GEORGE W. THARP:

FLETCHER A. THARP and NANCY H. DAVIS were married by Henry
Hand, July 4, 1821.
FLETCHER A. THARP was born Nov. 17, 1797.
NANCY H. DAVIS was born May 11, 1807.
JOHN D. THARP was born April 24, 1822.
ADELIA A. THARP was born Oct. 25, 1823.
VINCENT A. THARP born March 8, 1825.
NANCY D. THARP died Sept. 10, 1825.
FLETCHER A. THARP died Sept. 12, 1825.
JOHN D. THARP born July, 1889 (She is a dau. of John D. Tharp).
VINCENT D. THARP and EMILY ROBERTS married by D. H. Devoty
Aug. 26, 1856.
JOHN D. THARP and MARY E. THARP were married Jan. 19, 1887.
JOHN L. WALTON, son of JAMES and ELIZABETH WALTON, was
married to ADELIA THARP Oct. 15, 1839.
JOHN LITTLETON WALTON WA SBORN March 17, 1814, in Colum-
bia Co., Ga.
JOHN SHERWOOD WALTON WAS BORN May 14, 1789, Columbia
Co., Ga.
ELIZABETH WALTON was the wife of JAMES WALTON.
JAMES S. WALTON died Aug. 10, 1849.
ELIZABETH WALTON, wife of JAMES WALTON, died June 30, 1867.
JAMES F. WALTON, SON of J. L. and ADELIA WALTON, died July
11, 1858.
JOHN L. WALTON died in Aberdeen, Miss., Feb. 21, 1882 (69 yrs.).
JOHN D. THARP died May 7, 1900 (72 yrs.).
EMILY THARP, V. D. Tharp's wife, died on June 17, 1891.
JAMES FLETCHER WALTON, son of JOHN L. and ADELIA WAL-
TON, was born Sept. 9, 1846, in Columbus.

WILL OF JOHN A. THARP (Son of VINCENT A. THARP) Taken
From WILL BOOK in the BIBB COUNTY, GA., COURT HOUSE
In the name of God, I, JOHN A. THARP, in the County and State
aforesaid, being in sound mind, memory and understanding, do hereby
adopt this my last will and testament.

Item 1. I wish and direct that all my just debts may be fully satis-
fied and paid out of the effects which I may leave behind.

Item 2. I give and bequeath to Eliz. A. Tharp my lawful wife all my
lands, negroes, household and kitchen furniture, horses, cows and hogs,
together with all the ready money I may have in hand and all the effects
and property I may die possessee of during her natural liffe widowhood and

at her inter marriage or death I wish my property divided in the following manner.

Item 3. Mary Boon, James Madison A. Tharp, William A. Tharp, Robert A. Tharp, Caroline Reynolds, Elizabeth Rogers, Catherine A. Tharp, Cicero A. Tharp, Obedience A. Tharp, Henrietta A. Tharp, Mathew A. Tharp, John Vinson A. Tharp.

Item 4. I do hereby appoint Eliz. A. Tharp my wife as aforesaid Executrix to this my last will and also William A. Tharp and Robert A. Tharp my children above mentioned Executors to this my last will and testament as aforesaid dated this 25 day of Nov. in 1834.

JOHN A. THARP.

Richard Fish
William Stackey
Henry S. Ross
Johnson Reynolds.

FROM "HISTORY OF GEORGIA BAPTISTS WITH BIOGRAPHICAL COMPENDUM: W. D. HORNE.

Rev. W. D. Horne was born in Bertie County, North Carolina, June 26th, 1813. In the year 1832 he was received by experience and baptism into the fellowship of Sandy Run Church in the bounds of the Chowan Association of which church Rev. James Delk was at that time the much beloved and respected pastor.

Mr. Horne moved to Georgia in the fall of 1834, took up his residence in Twiggs County and was received into Stone Creek Church. By order of that church he was set apart to the Gospel ministry on the 8th of June, 1840, Revs. C. A. Tharpe, Thomas Curtis and Austin Ellis officiating as the presbytery. He moved to Houston County in 1842 where he remained eight years actively engaged in the ministry. In 1850 his health having failed so completely that he was compelled for a time to cease active and regular ministerial service, he removed to Twiggs County, where he has resided ever since, preaching and serving churches when permitted by health and opportunity.

There are also records of BENJAMIN FRANKLIN THARP and CHARNICK A. THARP in this book.

EXTRACT FROM "MEMOIRS OF GEORGIA," PUBLISHED IN 1895 BY THE SOUTHERN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, ATLANTA, GA.

Webster County Sketches—Vol. II, Pages 1025-1026. (Synopsis)

T. J. THARP, a resident of Preston, Georgia, and Ordinary of Webster County, Georgia, was born in Louisiana, Oct. 24, 1850. He was a son of David and Elizabeth Ann (Jefferson) Tharp, and a grandson of C. A. Tharp, who was born in 1790 and raised at a place known as the "Stone Creek settlement" in what is now Twiggs County, twelve miles southwest of Macon, Georgia. His character and life were remarkable; he was a typical self-made man. This refers to C. A. Tharp. He devoted his life to farming and to the ministry of the Missionary Baptist Church. He was ordained at the age of twenty-seven and preached for nearly fifty years, serving four churches without ever accepting any compensation except a copy of "Commentaries on the Bible" presented by one of his congregations. He served as Moderator of the Ebenezer Baptist Association for twenty-one years. He received but two weeks' schooling in his life, but was a man of wide influence in Twiggs County, and a student to the day of his death. (The name of his wife is not given.) He was the father of sixteen children, and saw that each of them who lived to be old enough to receive it was given a good education. Two of his sons became Baptist ministers. The four of his children still living in 1895 were: Simeon, a Baptist minister, residing in Twiggs County; Martha, wife of T. H. Jones, Twiggs County; Emma, wife of E. A. Nash, Twiggs County; and a daughter, —————, wife of Seaborn Passmore of Texas. C. A. Tharp, at the outbreak of the Civil War owned 1,600 acres of land and fifty

slaves, and became an ardent secessionist. When Captain Folsom presented the flag to the first company that went from Twiggs County he made a very eloquent and soul-stirring address. He died in 1867, aged 77, and his widow in 1870, aged about 70.

David Tharp, son of C. A. Tharp, and father of the subject of this sketch, was born in Twiggs County, Georgia, in 1816, where he was reared and educated. At the age of twenty-two he went to Louisiana on a visit to relatives, and while there met and married Miss Elizabeth Ann Jefferson. He remained there, engaged in planting until he died in 1857

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VINCENT A. THARP and SARAH PIERSON

Jan. 10, 1787

CHARNICK A. THARP and ELIZABETH JEFFERSON

July 18, 1816

at the age of forty-one. To this union three children were born, of whom two survive: T. J., the subject of this sketch, and Elizabeth Ann, wife of James Torbert, Sumter County. Their mother died in Louisiana about 1858 at the age of thirty-five, and the two children came to Georgia in 1860 to live with an uncle in Twiggs County who had no children.

T. J. Tharp was educated and grew to manhood in Twiggs County, and in 1883 went to Cuthbert, Georgia, where he engaged in the sewing machine business. From there he went to Alabama where he lived two years, and then returned to Georgia and located in Sumter County in 1885. One year later he removed to Webster County and engaged in the mercantile business. In 1883 he was married to Miss M. C. Cobb, a native of Alabama, by whom he has had five children, of whom four are living, viz: Minnie C., V. T., C. T., and David C. Tharp. In 1892 he was elected Ordinary of Webster County for four years, which office he was filling at the time this sketch was written.

Extract from "*HISTORY OF THE BAPTIST DENOMINATION IN GEORGIA*," compiled for The Christian Index and printed by Jas. P. Harrison & Co., Atlanta, Ga., 1881. Pages 525-526.

REV. CHARNICK A. THARP (engraved portrait), was born in 1790, (place not stated), and was the son of Rev. Vincent A. Tharp, a native of Wales, who settled in Virginia. About 1795 he removed to Washington County, Georgia, with his wife and eight children. About 1810 he moved to Twiggs County, where he founded and served as pastor a number of frontier Baptist Churches, among them Stone Creek Church, which he served for fourteen years. Besides being active in the ministry, he was a farmer and gunsmith. He baptized most of his family into Stone Creek Church, and died in 1825.

The subject of this sketch was baptized by his father, March, 1812, and soon afterwards was elected Clerk and a few years later was chosen Deacon of his church. He was subsequently licensed, and preached his first sermon at Stone Creek Church Jan. 24, 1824. He was ordained Nov. 27, 1825, and called to serve Beersheba Church in Twiggs County and Mount Moriah Church in Jones County. He spent his life in the Ebenezer Association, of which he was elected Clerk in 1829, and Moderator in 1832, continuing as such until 1855, when he was compelled to decline on account of his health. About 1817 he married Elizabeth ———, of Twiggs County, and their union was blessed with seventeen children, of whom they lost three, and reared eight sons and six daughters. Five of the sons were in the Confederate Army, two of them dying in Richmond, Virginia, of disease resulting from hardship and exposure. The eldest daughter married Rev. W. D. Horne of Twiggs County.

Rev. Charnick A. Tharp died Nov. 19, 1867, of consumption, one of his last acts being to witness the ordination of his son, Washington Tharp, when he gave him this parting charge: "My son, I charge you in the name of Almighty God that you preach not for filthy lucre, nor for worldly honor, but from love of the Gospel, and for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ." His wife survived him five years.

CYCLOPEDIA OF GEORGIA, Vol. II, Pages 386-387

JONES, LODERICK MATHEWS, M. D., is an able member of the medical staff of the Georgia State Sanitarium, at Milledgeville in which he is assistant physician. He was born on a farm in Twiggs County, this state, April 28, 1850. In the same county were also born his parents, Thomas H. and Martha (A. Tharp) Jones, who there passed their entire lives, the father having been a planter by vocation and for many years tax collector of his native county. He was a son of Thomas and Mary (Mathews) Jones and his wife was a daughter of Charnick A. Tharp, the maiden name of whose wife was Jefferson. Doctor Jones secured his early educational discipline in the common schools of his native county, after which he continued his studies in Mercer University. In preparing himself for his chosen profession he entered Atlanta Medical College, in which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1878, duly received his well-earned degree of Doctor of Medicine. From 1879 until 1883 he was engaged in the general practice of his profession in Wilkinson County and since that time he has been incumbent in his present office that of assistant physician at the state sanitarium or hospital for the insane. He is a vice-president of the Sanitarium Medical Society and a member of the Medical Association of Georgia. He is vice-president of the Exchange Bank of Milledgeville and has other capitalistic interests. He is aligned as an uncompromising advocate of the principles of the Democratic Party, and both he and his wife are members of the Baptist Church, in which he is a deacon. On Dec. 19, 1879, he was united in marriage to Miss Lila P. Daniel of Midway, Baldwin County. She died March 15, 1891, being survived by three children, Loderick Malone, Elizabeth and William O'Daniel. The elder son is now a student in the Atlanta College of Pharmacy. The younger son is a member of the class of 1906 in the Georgia Military College at Milledgeville, and is Captain of his company of college cadets. On Oct. 18, 1893, was solemnized the marriage of Dr. Jones to Miss Isabelle Alling, of Milledgeville, and they have two children, Audrey and Isabelle.

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Early Edition

By J. H. Campbell

VINCENT THARP

A native of Virginia, was born in 1760, and bore arms in the cause of his country towards the close of the revolutionary war. His first wife was a Miss Rogers, by whom he had two children, a son and a daughter. During his first marriage he removed to South Carolina, and thence with his second wife, a Miss Pierson (from the Bible), to Warren county, in this State. Owing to the hardness of the times, and his being a poor man, he learned the gunsmith's trade, and was said to be a superior workman. Before he entered upon the ministry he acted as a magistrate in his neighborhood. He was baptized into Briar Creek church, Warren county, and was also licensed and ordained there, about the year 1800. He served that church as pastor several years, also Sweetwater and Rocky Creek, in Burke county. Soon after the purchase, which extended to the Ocmulgee river, he removed to Twiggs county, where many of his descendants are still to be found, and who are among the most respectable and wealthy citizens of the county. Among these may be mentioned Rev. Charnick Tharp, a son, and Rev. B. F. Tharp (now of Houston county), a grandson.

He was a member and the pastor of Stone Creek church, now one of the most flourishing churches in the State. That church was gathered under Rev. Henry Hooten, who resigned in favor of Mr. Tharp. His labors here and elsewhere were owned of the Lord in the salvation of many souls. To the time of his death he was moderator of the Ebenezer Association. Benevolence and hospitality were prominent traits in his character. He was always "careful to entertain strangers," and his house was the home of God's people, of every name. He delighted in the society of

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certain brethren, Polhill, Franklin, Ross, Rhodes, Baker, Maginty, Mercer and others, by whom he was frequently visited. He died in 1925, in the triumphs of that faith which he had so long preached to others. His end was peace.

COPIED FROM THE GRAVES IN THE CEMETERY NEAR THE HOME OF CHARNICK A. THARP IN TWIGGS COUNTY, GA.

Sacred to the Memory of

WILLOUGHBY S. HILL

Who Died

March 30, ~~1882~~ 1822

Aged 34 Yrs.

3 Mo. and 5 Days

MARY HILL

Born Nov. 22, 1815

Died Oct. 26, A. D. 1818

MARTHA HILL

Died 1822

Aged 4 Yrs.

CHARNICK A. THARP

Born Feb. 27, 1790

Died Nov. 19, 1867

JUDSON A. THARP

Died Aug. 10, 1862

Aged 22 Yrs.

JOSEPH A. THARP

Born 1823

Died Sept. 1, 1875

VINCENT THARP

Born 1823

Died 1826

LUCY THARP

Born 1821

Died Dec. 16, 1823

JEREMIAH THARP

Born June 24, 1841

Died Aug. 22, 1841

ELIZABETH A. THARP

Born Dec. 29, 1799

Died Oct. 7, 1872

Aged 73 Years

CHARNICK A. THARP

Died July 10, 1862

Aged 19 Years

5 Mo. and 23 Days

JOHN M. GRAY and Thomas Granberry made a tour through East Alabama in 1933, preaching at Chambersville, now LaFayette. This was the first religious service conducted by the Baptists in Chambers County. Elder Gray died while on this tour and is buried in Bethel Cemetery in the Northwestern part of the county. The Liberty Association marked his grave in 1853. Rev. John M. Gray was born March 23, 1773, died July 14, 1834.

HISTORY OF THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF MACON, GA.

The constitution of this church was recognized by three ministers, JOHN M. GRAY, C. A. THARPE and JONATHAN NEAL in the year 1826.

The constituents of the body were nine in number, Richard W. Ellis and wife, Austin Ellis, James Hollingsworth and wife, William Brown and wife, Benjamin Russell and wife.

The Reverend JOHN M. GRAY was the pastor of the church. He retained the relation for two years. Mr. Gray was ordained in Franklin County, Georgia, in 1815. He died in Alabama in 1835, having preached the day before in the town of La Fayette. He was truly a useful and laborious man and very successful in the ministry. At the time of his death he was pastor of the Columbus and Mt. Zion churches.

I have found it impossible to gather any further information on relatives to the man who founded this noble and influential church.

E. G. Cabiness 1855

GEORGIA BAPTIST by JESSE CAMPBELL (1834)

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During this year the association sustained a severe loss in the death of Elder J. M. Gray, one of her most active and able members. He died on a tour of preaching at a Mr. Pitman's, Alabama, after having taken a dose of lobelia on lying down at night. (See Biographical Sketches.)

I could find no further notice in the Biographical Sketches, unfortunately.

COPIED FROM BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF GEORGIA BAPTIST

REV. BENJ. FRANKLIN THARP, D.D., was born in Twiggs Co., Ga., September 16, 1819. He is the son of William A. Tharp and grand-

son of Vincent A. Tharp, a good and faithful preacher of the Gospel, of the Baptist denomination. Vincent A. Tharp was born in Va. in 1760, and took part in the struggle for independence, being one of General Marion's men, for he had moved from Virginia to South Carolina. He followed the "Swamp Fox" until the close of the Revolutionary War. After the War he moved to Warren County, Ga., bought a large tract of land and settled a colony, composed mostly of his friends, by selling them land in small quantities and at low prices. Many of their descendants who bought land from him reside on it still and hold his title deeds. Rev. V. A. Tharp died in 1825.

Dr. B. F. Tharp was raised on a farm receiving such instruction as was furnished by a good academy in the neighborhood. When sixteen years old, he entered Mercer Institute, remaining until 1841, and was in the first class graduated from Mercer University. In the same class was Hon. R. M. Johnson, now of Baltimore, and Dr. A. R. Wellborn of Atlanta. After graduation he entered Newton Theological Seminary as a student for the ministry, but before completing the prescribed course he returned home on account of the death of his father, William A. Tharp, and took charge of the estate, assisting his Mother to provide for and educate a large family. In 1843 he married Miss Martha Young, an amiable and wealthy young lady of good family who had just graduated under Rev. T. B. Dade in Columbus. In 1844 he settled on a plantation in Houston County, where he resided for eight years, moving then to Perry, his present home.

